

1 BEFORE THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION 2 **DOUG LITTLE** Chairman Arizona Corporation Commission 3 **BOB STUMP** Commissioner DOCKETED **BOB BURNS** 4 Commissioner JUN 27 2016 5 TOM FORESE Commissioner DOCKETED BY ANDY TOBIN 6 Commissioner 7 IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION 8 DOCKET NO. E-01025A-16-0073 OF AJO IMPROVEMENT COMPANY -DECISION NO. <u>75601</u> 9 ELECTRIC DIVISION - FOR A REDUCTION IN THE RENEWABLE **ORDER** 10 ENERGY STANDARD AND TARIFF SURCHARGE. 11 12 Open Meeting 13 June 14 and June 15, 2016 Phoenix, Arizona 14 15 BY THE COMMISSION: 16 **FINDINGS OF FACT** 17 Ajo Improvement Company ("AIC" or "Company") is certificated to provide 1. 18 electricity as a public service corporation in the state of Arizona. 19 **Background** 20 2. On March 1, 2016, AIC filed an application for a reduction in the Renewable Energy 21 Standard and Tariff ("REST") surcharge. 22 3. Commission Decision No. 75454 (February 11, 2016) granted a waiver of the Annual 23 Renewable Energy Requirement for AIC's REST Plan years 2015 and 2016. Because of the waiver, 24 Decision No. 75454 also reflected a budget reduction for AIC. The REST Plan budget was reduced 25 by \$20,688 for 2015 and by \$24,625 for 2016. 26 4. In addition, Decision No. 75454 required AIC to file with the Commission, within 30 days of the effective date of the Decision, an application to reduce the REST surcharge to reflect the 27 28

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budget reduction that the waiver provided. In response, the Company submitted this application to 1 2 reduce the surcharge from the existing \$0.004 per kilowatt-hour ("kWh") to \$0.000 per kWh. 3 Analysis and Recommendations Since Decision No. 75454 reduced AIC's annual REST budget to \$1,000, it is 4 5. appropriate to reduce the REST surcharge. Staff has recommended that AIC's proposed reduction in 5 its REST surcharge from \$0.004 per kWh to \$0.000 per kWh be approved. 6 7 Staff has further recommended that AIC should file in Docket Control a revised 6. REST tariff consistent with the Decision in this case, within 15 days of the effective date of the 8 Decision. 9 10 7. In addition, Staff has recommended that, beginning in 2016, AIC file its annual REST 11 compliance reports in a docket to be opened by Staff. 12 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW** 13 Ajo Improvement Company is an Arizona public service corporation within the meaning 1. 14 of Article XV, Section 2, of the Arizona Constitution. The Commission has jurisdiction over Ajo Improvement Company and over the subject 15 2. 16 matter of the application. The Commission, having reviewed Staff's memorandum dated May 31, 2016, concludes that it is in the public interest to approve the Ajo Improvement Company Renewable Energy Standard Tariff surcharge as discussed herein. <u>ORDER</u> IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Ajo Improvement Company's proposed reduction in its Renewable Energy Standard and Tariff surcharge from \$0.004 per kWh to \$0.000 per kWh is approved. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Ajo Improvement Company file in Docket Control a revised REST tariff consistent with the Decision in this case, within 30 days of the effective date of

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| 1   | IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, beginning in 2016, Ajo Improvement Company file its                                    |
| 2   | annual REST compliance reports in a docket to be opened by Staff.  |
| 3   | IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Decision shall become effective immediately.                                       |
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| 6   | BY THE ORDER OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION   |
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| 13  | IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, JODI JERICH, Executive Director of the Arizona Corporation Commission, have                 |
| 14  | hereunto, set my hand and caused the official seal of this Commission to be affixed at the Capitol, in the City of |
| 15  | Phoenix, this 2016.  |
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